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APPLICANTS:	Afeyan et al.	CONFIRMATION NO.:	5804
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TITLE:	Method and Apparatus for Dynamic, Real-Time Market Segmentation		

NOTICE OF DEFECTIVE OFFICE ACTION

On February 18, 2005, the Office mailed to applicants a defective action. It is defective because it was drawn up with regard to the originally submitted drawings and the originally submitted claims, whereas formal drawings and modified claims were submitted to and acknowledged by the Office well before the action. In particular, the following documents were submitted to the Office, acknowledged by the Office, and appear in the Office's on-line records under the "Image File Wrapper" tab of PAIR: (1) twenty-one sheets of formal drawings (with an effective date of September 20, 2002); (2) a first Preliminary Amendment canceling originally-filed claims 21-117 and leaving just originally-filed claims 1-20 pending (with an effective date of September 20, 2002); and (3) a second Preliminary Amendment further modifying the claims and leaving claims 1-3, 5-10, 12-19, and 118-144 pending (with an effective date of February 27, 2004).

On May 31, 2005, applicants' undersigned representative spoke by telephone with Examiner Starks and was asked by Examiner Starks to submit this notice in response to the action and to request a new, replacement action to be prepared and mailed. Examiner Starks indicated that the Office would restart the previously set period for reply.

Applicants hereby petition for and request a one-month extension to bring the response deadline from May 18, 2005, up to and including June 18, 2005. Applicants also hereby authorize the use of Deposit Account No. 04-1105 for the fee for the one-month extension.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 2, 2005

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